tee have been set up as inter-institutional fora for coordination and joint implementation of development programmes. In addition, District Level Consultative Committee, Block Level Consultative Committee have also been constituted at district and block levels to monitor and review the progress and sort out inter agency differences.

(ii) Service Area Approach has been started with effect from 1.4.1989 for the banks.

Accommodation to E.S.I. Staff

6529. SHRI RAMASHRAY PRASAD SINGH:
SHRI TEJ NARAYAN SINGH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether proper accommodation has not been provided to the staff of E.S.I. Dispensaries in the Trans-Yamuna, Delhi;

(b) if so, the reasons thereof; and

(c) the steps taken in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) to (c). Staff of the ESI dispensaries in the Trans-Yamuna Delhi are allotted accommodation as per the rules applicable to them out of the common pool of accommodation maintained in Delhi by the ESIC.

[*Translation*]

Brick Kiln Industry

6530. SHRI LAKSHMI NARAIN MANI TRIPATHI:
SHRI C.P. MUDALA GIRIYAPPA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of brick-kiln operating in the country, state-wise;

(b) the total number of persons involved in the brick-kilns industry in the country; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to promote this small scale industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) As per the information supplied by Building Material and Technology Promotion Council, Ministry of Urban Development and All India Brick & Tile Manufacturers' Federation, New Delhi there are 60,000 small scale registered and unregistered units in the country. The state-wise break up of number of units operating are given in the enclosed statement.

(b) The industry is providing employment to about 90 lakhs workers seasonally.

(c) The Brick Kiln Industry has been recognised as a small scale industry by Govt. of India and the industry is entitled to all the facilities as available to the small scale sector industry. Apart from the Govt. incentive as small scale industry various National Research Institutes/organisations like Central Building Research Institute (CBRI), National Building organisation (NBO), Mechanical Engg. Research and Development organisation (MERADO) as well as several State Engg. Research Institutes are engaged in the scientific development of fuel efficient kilns and brick making machines etc.

Building Material & Technology Promotion Council (BMPC), Ministry of Urban Development is working for the development of the Brick & Tile Industry which includes transfer of improved technology for increasing the productivity and fuel effiiciency in the Brick industry.

STATEMENT

No. of Brick Kilns *Statewise*

State	No. of Units
Andhra Pradesh	1000
Andaman & Nicobar	20
Assam	200
Bihar	6000
Chandigarh	100
Delhi	400
Gujarat	3500
Goa	20
Haryana	3000
Himachal Pradesh	250
Jammu & Kashmir	200
Karnataka	250
Kerala	1000
Madhya Pradesh	2000
Maharashtra	1000
Nagaland	200
Dardra & Nagar Haveli	20
Orissa	6500
Punjab	4500
Pondicherry	250
Rajasthan	1500
Tamil Nadu	15,000
Uttar Pradesh	21000
West Bengal	5500

[*English*]

Substandard Coal to Electricity Boards

6531. SHRI S.B. THORAT: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the supply of substandard coal to State Electricity Boards for their Thermal Plants and other industrial undertakings continues to be a nagging phenomenon bringing bad name to CIL ;

(b) if so, the effective and innovative steps undertaken recently to ensure fair practices and supply quality coal to meet the requirement of State Electricity Boards; and

(c) the details of the economic measures taken to effect substantial cut in the non-planned expenditure?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S.B. NYAMAGOUDA): (a) to (b). There have been some complaints from power houses and other coal consumers about quality of coal supplied by Coal India Ltd. Quality problems relate mainly to grade of coal, presence of extraneous material in coal and oversized coal. Following steps are being taken to improve the quality of coal sent to consumers:-

1. While loading coal at the surface in underground mines, the extraneous materials are segragated.

2. In the stocks on surface, manual picking is done to remove shale and stone pieces.

3. In Coal Handling Plants, slow moving picking belts are provided where picking up of shale and stone pieces is done.

4. Coal Controller's Organisation is to be strengthened to supervise the qual-